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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 78-39 (Financial Planning Section)

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY FISCAL STAFF

SUBJECT: CUBAN REFUGEE AND INDOCHINESE REFUGEE
PROGRAM PHASEDOWN CLAIMING INSTRUCTIONS

Effective October 1, 1977, HEW mandated the conversion of eligible Cuban Refugees (CR) and Indochinese Refugees (IRAP) to the federal AFDC program. Effective October 1, 1978, the remaining eligible CR and IRAP recipients will be converted to the nonfederal AFDC program. The CR and IRAP recipients not eligible for federal or nonfederal AFDC programs may be assisted by the county General Assistance (GA) program. Those CR and IRAP recipients not eligible for conversion to AFDC or GA programs will be totally dropped from any type of cash assistance. However, these recipients may still be eligible for Food Stamps and/or Medi-Cal.

In order to accumulate all the necessary information to compute federal reimbursement, the following procedures are necessary:

For the CR and IRAP recipients converted to AFDC

1. The federally and nonfederally eligible CR and IRAP recipients converted to AFDC must be separately identified by payment code. Suggested codes to be used in the ID field on the integrated payroll format or in Column (2) of the ABCD 801 are "CR" for federally AFDC eligible CR recipients, "NC" for nonfederally AFDC eligible CR recipients, "IR" for federally AFDC eligible IRAP recipients, and "NI" for nonfederally AFDC eligible IRAP recipients. These suggested codes may be substituted by county codes upon DSS approval if the county AFDC payroll defines the codes used.
2. Federal participation will be available in the otherwise nonfederal share of AFDC funds paid to these federally and nonfederally AFDC eligible CR and IRAP cases. Therefore, separate summary totals must be accumulated for federally and nonfederally AFDC eligible CR and IRAP recipients. These summary totals shall include persons count, total expenditures, special needs, and county supplements. These totals should be summarized by program (AFDC-FG, U, and BHI) at the end of the payroll.

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3. The DFA 814 and DFA 815 have been revised to provide instructions to claim the additional federal reimbursement. These forms will continue to be submitted as instructed in All-County Letter 78-6 (March 16, 1978). As a reminder, counties should continue to submit the DFA 814 and DFA 815 even though there are no related costs (see Instruction No. 1).

For the CR and IRAP recipients converted to GA

1. The GA eligible CR and IRAP recipients must also be identified on the GA payroll by payment codes. Our suggested ID code is "CR" to designate CR recipients and "IR" to designate IRAP recipients converted to GA. These codes may also be substituted by county codes upon DSS approval, if the county GA payroll defines the codes used.
2. A separate payroll must be submitted with each DFA 821 claim for federal reimbursement of GA payments made to CR and IRAP recipients. Since DSS does not need the entire county GA payroll, the GA eligible CR and IRAP recipients should be pulled out and listed on separate ABCD 801 or separate payroll runs made for these CR and IRAP recipients. Whichever method is used, the following information shall be provided: case number, case name, month and year, persons count, total aid paid, warrant number, and remarks (if any). The ABCD 801 (11/77) will not be revised to include GA persons count. If the county decides to use the ABCD 801, the persons count as nonfederal adult(s) must be indicated. A summary total of persons count and total aid paid must be accumulated at the end of the payroll. Attach these payrolls to the appropriate DFA 821 claim.

The revised forms will be forwarded under separate cover. Questions concerning these claiming instructions should be directed to Financial Planning Section at 916/445-7046.

Sincerely,


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